

REPORT OF MEETING
Marlboro Hamlet Area Transportation Plan
Study Advisory Committee Meeting No. 2
February 21, 2008

Attendees

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The purpose of this meeting was to review public input and field walk notes in order to develop improvement ideas for the corridor and the Hamlet Area. Mark Sargent facilitated the meeting.

Comments on Existing Conditions Report

- Michelle Dennis gave an overview of the Existing Conditions Reports/Technical Memorandum 1
- Mark Sargent noted the parking study has not yet been completed and asked the Committee to confirm study limits and schedule. The Committee agreed the parking study limits should include Western Avenue from 9W to the Marlboro Market, King Street from 9W to Western Avenue and 9W from the parking lot south of Dubois Street to Dock Road. The Study should be conducted during a weekday in April between the hours of 11 am -2 pm.
- Comments/Questions on the Report can be directed to Mark Sargent (msargent@comellp.com) or Michelle Dennis (mdennis@comellp.com).
- After a 10 day comment period (ending March 7th) comments will be addressed and the Existing Conditions Report/Technical Memorandum 1 will be posted on the project website by UCTC.

Review Public input and field walk notes and confirm alternatives

- Mark gave a brief overview of the field walk. The following issues were discussed during the walk:
 - Turning radius issues to/from Route 9W at Western Avenue and King Street
 - Removal of parking on 9W and Western Avenue
 - Relocation of businesses on the triangle
 - Removing/Improving pedestrian accommodations
 - Installation of traffic signals at 9W/Western Avenue and 9W/King Street
 - Alternative parking locations
 - Potential impact to building in northwest quadrant of Route 9W/Western Avenue intersection
- The Committee reviewed the Public Meeting Summary (Appendix B of the Technical Memo) and focused specifically on Desired Connections and the Wish List.
- The Committee reviewed a map of the desired connections noted during the Public Meeting and discussed the feasibility of each. There was little support to pursue the noted connections with the exception of the connection of the 90 unit (approved) project on Highland and South Street to Route 9W. This connection is currently being discussed with the developer.
- Chief Fajfer noted a correction within the Public Meeting Summary, Under the Wish List #2 the 3rd “turn” lane from CVS into town should read a 3rd turn lane from Milton through the Town. Michelle Dennis will correct the Summary Notes.
- The Committee also discussed:
 - Placement of signs on Route 9W to let drivers know there are alternative routes. There was little support to direct traffic to an alternative route.
 - The possible use of eminent domain to improve traffic operations. There was mixed support from the Committee. Matthew Pascale stated that he is against the idea of eminent domain and that any such options regarding the term should come from New York State not the Town of Marlborough.
 - Relocating Key Bank to improve traffic operations
 - The current public use of the Key Bank parking lot
 - The limited use of the western sidewalk on Route 9W directly in front of Key Bank
 - The current flow of traffic:
 - Northbound traffic experiences long delays due to left turns onto Western Avenue
 - Parking:
 - The Raccoon Saloon and Pizza Town owners have noted that parking directly in front of the establishment is not necessary, as long as there are pedestrian accommodations for patrons.
 - Business owners have witnessed patrons circling the triangle and waiting in order to park directly near the establishments.
- After reviewing the Public Meeting Summary and discussing the conclusions from the field walk the Committee agreed that the following alternatives should be analyzed:
 1. Do Nothing Alternative
 2. “Charlie’s Alternative” – Existing Circulation with Upgrade
 - Keep one way traffic flow on King Street and Western Avenue
 - Two coordinated traffic lights – one at King Street, one at Western Avenue
 - Pedestrian phase should be added to the signal

- Northbound Left turn lane on 9W at Western Avenue
- No parking on 9W from King Street to Dock Road
- 3. Make King Street Two-Way
 - Create two 10 (or 11) foot wide lanes on King Street
 - Remove or decrease the size of the sidewalks on King Street
 - Close Western Avenue to vehicular traffic
 - Create Northbound left turn lane on 9W at King Street
- 4. Two-Way traffic on Western Avenue
 - Close King Street or convert to public parking
 - Possible private property impacts in order to accommodate turning radius
 - Repair sewer basin on the corner of 9W/Western Avenue
- 5. Roundabout at 9W/King Street
- 6. French Couplet
 - Two-way traffic on Western Avenue and King Street with restricted turns to/from 9W to enable a two phase traffic signal.

Next steps including Public Participation Plan Actions

- The Public Participation Plan notes that the Public Meeting Summary and the Existing Conditions/Technical Memorandum 1 should be on the project web site. Bill Tobin will place the documents on the web site after the committee comments are addressed (March 6th).

Schedule

- The Committee agreed to hold the next Advisory Committee meeting on March 27, 2008 at the Town Hall at 4:00 pm. Michelle Dennis will send a confirmation email closer to the meeting date.

Summary of Required Actions

- CME will analyze noted Alternatives
- Michelle Dennis will make the noted correction to the Public Meeting Summary
- Bill Tobin will post the Public Meeting Summary and the Existing Conditions Report/Technical Memorandum 1 on the project web site
- Cindy Lanzetta will place a notice on the Towns web site noting the posting of Public Meeting Summary 1 and the Existing Conditions Report/Technical Memorandum 1
- Michelle Dennis will send confirmation email for the next Committee Meeting

The meeting concluded at 6:00 p.m. This meeting summary represents the writer's understanding of the major topics and decisions. Please contact Michelle Dennis within 10 business days if there are any substantial omissions or corrections.